

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the Amendment and reconsideration of the rejections of the claims.

Applicants have added new claims 15-20. Applicants submit that the new claims are supported by the specification as well as pending claims 1 and 2. Applicants submit these claims do not raise any issue of new matter.

Provisional Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner provisionally rejects claims 1-11 and 14 for nonstatutory double patenting over claims 1-5, 13-15, and 20-22 of copending Application No. 08/943,771. Applicants request the Examiner hold this rejection in abeyance until notice of allowable subject matter. The Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' representative concerning this issue.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants believe that all claims as currently pending are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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